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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PERCEPTION OF AN OBJECT BY ITS SHAPE, ITS SIZE  
AND/OR ITS ORIENTATION

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**REQUEST FOR REFUND**

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Mail Stop 16  
Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

On October 12, 2009, the undersigned submitted a payment of \$980.00 for the 3.5 year maintenance fee in regard to the above-referenced patent. The large entity fee was mistakenly paid; however, the undersigned was later advised that the Assignee in this matter qualified for small entity status at the time of payment. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.28, a refund in the total amount of \$490.00 is requested.

As this request is being filed less than three months after payment of the fee, this request for refund is timely. The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to credit the refund to the Credit Card on file for this case.

Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions or if further clarification is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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